

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for health care screening, comprising:
 - contacting a scheduling service;
 - scheduling an abbreviated MRI procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual via the scheduling service;
 - determining if the abbreviated MRI procedure can be authorized; and
 - scheduling the abbreviated MRI procedure;

wherein the scheduling includes selecting a location and an unused time slot for the abbreviated MRI procedure available between scheduled diagnostic MRI procedures at one of a predetermined set of existing procedure facilities affiliated with the scheduling service as a function of location and time parameters of a user and an availability of the predetermined set of procedure facilities.
2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the abbreviated MRI procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual includes a T2 type MRI scan.
3. The method according to claim 1, wherein the abbreviated MRI procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual is to be performed on a brain of the user of the scheduling service.
4. The method according to claim 1, wherein the contacting includes a computer network connection of the user to the scheduling service.
5. The method according to claim 1, further comprising determining a result of the abbreviated MRI procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual.
6. The method according to claim 5, wherein the result is determined by a radiologist associated with the procedure facility performing the abbreviated MRI procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual.
7. The method according to claim 6, further comprising storing the result by the scheduling service.

8. The method according to claim 2, wherein the predetermined set of existing procedure facilities include a set of existing MRI facilities.

9. The method according to claim 2, wherein the contacting includes contacting the scheduling service via one of a computer network connection and a voice connection.

10. The method according to claim 9, wherein the computer network connection includes an Internet connection via a web browser.

11. The method according to claim 10, wherein the determining includes presenting at least one web page screen to the user requesting predetermined user personal and medical information.

12. The method according to claim 11, wherein determining if the abbreviated MRI procedure can be authorized is performed as a function of the user's predetermined user personal and medical information.

13. A system for health care screening, comprising:

a central processing unit; and

a memory coupled to the central processing unit; wherein

computer program means stored in the memory are executed by the central processing unit, the executed computer program means

receiving a request for an abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual,

determining if the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure can be authorized, and

scheduling the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure, wherein the scheduling includes selecting a location and an unused time slot for the health care screening procedure available between scheduled diagnostic MRI procedures at one of a predetermined set of existing procedure facilities affiliated with the scheduling service as a function of location and time parameters of a user and an availability of the predetermined set of procedure facilities.

14. The system according to claim 13, wherein the receiving includes receiving a request via a computer network connection of the user to the scheduling service.
15. The system according to claim 14, wherein the computer network connection includes an Internet connection via a web browser.
16. The system according to claim 14, wherein the determining includes presenting at least one web page screen to the user requesting predetermined user personal and medical information.
17. The method according to claim 16, wherein determining if the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure can be authorized is performed as a function of the user's predetermined personal and medical information.
18. The system according to claim 13, wherein the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure includes a T2 type MRI scan.
19. The system according to claim 18, wherein the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure is performed on a brain of a user.
20. An article of manufacture, comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable code means embodied therein for causing a scheduling of an abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual, the computer readable program code means in said article of manufacture including

computer readable program means for causing a computer to receive a request for the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure designed for an asymptomatic individual,

computer readable program means for causing the computer to determine if the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure can be authorized, and

computer readable program means for causing the computer to schedule the abbreviated MRI-based health care screening procedure, wherein the scheduling includes

selecting a location and an unused time slot for the health care screening procedure available between scheduled diagnostic MRI procedures at one of a predetermined set of existing procedure facilities affiliated with the scheduling service as a function of location and time parameters of a user and an availability of the predetermined set of procedure facilities.